

[Translation]

Raids on Officers

3779. SHRI JANARDAN MISRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether raids have been conducted on the premises of the officers of the rank of Commissioner and equivalent in different parts of the country during the last two months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the unaccounted money, assets and incriminating documents detected during these raids; and

(d) the action taken so far against these officers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) No raids have been conducted on the premises of I.R.S officers of the rank of Commissioner and equivalent in different parts of the country during the last two months.

(b) to (d). In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

[English]

Exports of canned Food.

3780. DR. R. MALLU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to give priority to canned food exports;

(b) if so, the steps taken or propose to be taken by the government in this regard; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by

the Government to ensure that prices of raw material in the country do not hike and malnutrition among the vulnerable group does not increase due to such exports?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) takes various steps which include marketing development, product promotion, quality up-gradation, improvement in packaging, arranging buyer seller meet, participation in international trade fairs etc.

(c) In case of items of mass consumption restrictions such as quantitative ceilings or a complete ban on export of agricultural products are stipulated, wherever necessary.

[Translation]

Construction of bridge on Ghaghar River

3781. SHRI LAKSHMINARAIN MANI TRIPATHI:
ACHARYA VISHWANATH
DAS SHASTRI:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from Uttar Pradesh for construction of an over-bridge on Ghaghar river at Bahraich Chahlari ghat linking Bahraich with Sitapur; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the union Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.